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NARCOTIC DRUGS

Report of the Third Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 20 September 1991, the General Assembly, on the recommendations of the General Committee, decided to include in its agenda the item entitled "Narcotic drugs" and to allocate it to the Third Committee.

2. The Committee considered the item at its 27th to 34th, 45th and 46th meetings, on 31 October and 4 to 7, 20 and 21 November 1991. An account of the Committee's discussion is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.3/45/SR.27-34 and 45-46).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documentation:

(a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/46/3, chap. VI, sect. E); 1/

(b) International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking: report of the Secretary-General (A/46/338);

(c) Measures taken to implement General Assembly resolution 45/179 on the enhancement of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control: report of the Secretary-General (A/46/480);

1/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/46/3/Rev.1).

(d) International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking: report of the Secretary-General (A/46/511);

(e) Letter dated 31 May 1991 from the representatives of Peru and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/46/222);

(f) Letter dated 14 June 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/46/264);

(g) Letter dated 1 August 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Saint Kitts and Nevis to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/46/336).

4. At the 27th meeting, on 31 October, the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme made an introductory statement. The President of the International Narcotics Control Board also made a statement (see A/C.3/46/SR.27).

II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

A. Draft resolution A/C.3/46/L.22

5. At the 45th meeting, on 20 November, the representative of Cuba, speaking on behalf of Bolivia, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico and Peru, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/46/L.22), entitled "Respect for the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law in the fight against drug abuse and illicit trafficking". Subsequently, Vanuatu joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

6. At the 46th meeting, on 21 November, the Committee adopted the draft resolution (see para. 16, draft resolution I).

B. Draft resolution A/C.3/46/L.31

7. At the 45th meeting, on 20 November, the representative of Austria, speaking on behalf of Australia, Austria, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Romania, Singapore, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Venezuela, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/46/L.31), entitled "Implementation of the Global Programme of Action against illicit production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances". Subsequently, Samoa, Trinidad and Tobago, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Vanuatu joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

8. At the 46th meeting, on 21 November, the Committee adopted the draft resolution (see para. 16, draft resolution II).

C. Draft resolution A/C.3/46/L.32

9. At the 45th meeting, on 20 November, the representative of Bolivia, speaking on behalf of Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, France, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, India, Jamaica, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Senegal, Suriname, Ukraine, Uruguay and Venezuela, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/46/L.32), entitled "International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking" and orally revised it as follows:

(a) In the penultimate preambular paragraph the word "mandated" was replaced with the word "requested";

(b) In operative paragraph 4 the words "illicit producers" were replaced with the words "licit producers";

(c) In operative paragraph 13 the words "an analysis" were replaced with the word "analyses".

Subsequently, Samoa, Trinidad and Tobago, Madagascar and Vanuatu joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

10. At the 46th meeting, on 21 November, the representative of the Bahamas made a statement and orally revised the draft resolution as follows:

(a) The penultimate preambular paragraph which read:

> "Bearing in mind that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs is requested to suggest follow-up action to the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Expert Group," was replaced with the following text:
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> "Bearing in mind that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs has decided to consider the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Expert Group, together with the comments of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and to report on its consideration to the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council,";

(b) In paragraph 4 of section I, the words "social rehabilitation" were replaced with the words "social reintegration"; the words "reduction in supply" were inserted before the words "eradication and substitution of illicit crops";

(c) Operative paragraph 2 of section II which read:

"2. Reiterates its invitation to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to examine, at its thirty-fifth session in 1992, the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Expert Group to Study the Economic and Social Consequences of Illicit Traffic in Drugs, together with the comments of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and, in this context, to evaluate the proposed framework for conducting an extensive study with a view to recommending viable follow-up activity;"

was replaced with the following text:

"2. Reiterates its invitation to and takes note of the decision of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to consider, at its thirty-fifth session in 1992, the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Expert Group to Study the Economic and Social Consequences of Illicit Traffic in Drugs, together with the comments of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme with a view to recommending appropriate follow-up activity;".

11. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Bolivia and Cameroon.

12. Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised (see para. 16, draft resolution III).

13. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of Israel and the United States of America made statements.

D. Draft resolution A/C.3/46/L.33

14. At the 45th meeting, on 20 November, the representative of Mexico, speaking on behalf of Australia, Austria, the Bahamas, Belgium, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Portugal, Senegal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/46/L.33), entitled "United Nations International Drug Control Programme".

15. At the 46th meeting, on 21 November, the Committee adopted the draft resolution (see para. 16, draft resolution IV).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

16. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Respect for the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law in the fight against drug abuse and illicit trafficking

The General Assembly,

Conscious that the adoption of the Political Declaration and the Global Programme of Action 2/ at the seventeenth special session of the General Assembly, devoted to the question of international cooperation against illicit production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, was an important step in the harmonization of the efforts of all to combat this scourge of mankind,

Reaffirming the purpose of the United Nations to develop friendly relations among nations based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, and to take other appropriate measures to strengthen universal peace,

Convinced that an intensification of international cooperation and concerted action among States is the fundamental basis for confronting the problem of drug abuse and illicit trafficking,

Recognizing that the international fight against illicit trafficking should be pursued in full conformity with the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, and the principles of international law, particularly respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, and non-use of force or the threat of force in international relations,

1. Reaffirms that the fight against drug abuse and illicit trafficking should continue to be based on strict respect for the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law, particularly respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, and non-use of force or the threat of force in international relations;

2. Calls upon all States to intensify their actions to promote effective cooperation in the efforts to combat drug abuse and illicit

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2/ Resolution S-17/2, annex.

trafficking, so as to contribute to a climate conducive to achieving this end, and to refrain from using the issue for political purposes;

3. Affirms that the international fight against drug trafficking should not in any way justify violation of the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law, particularly the right of all peoples freely to determine, without external interference, their political status and to pursue their economic, social and cultural development, and that every State has the duty to respect this right in accordance with the provisions of the Charter;

4. Invites the Secretary-General, in preparing the report he is to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, and the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in carrying out the activities of the Programme, to give due consideration to the principles set out in the present resolution;

5. Decides to consider at its forty-seventh session the question of respect for the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law in the fight against drug abuse and illicit trafficking under the item entitled "Narcotic drugs".

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Implementation of the Global Programme of Action against illicit production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 44/16 of 1 November 1989, 44/141 of 15 December and 45/148 of 18 December 1990, as well as Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/84 of 27 July 1990,

Fully aware that the international community is confronted with the dramatic problem of drug abuse and the illicit cultivation, production, demand, processing, distribution and trafficking of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and that States need to work at the international level as well as individually to deal with this scourge,

Stressing the important role of the United Nations, its relevant bodies and the specialized agencies in the fight against drug abuse at the national, regional and international levels,

Recalling the Political Declaration and Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session on 23 February 1990, 2/

Emphasizing the continuing importance and validity of the Declaration 3/ and the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control, 4/ as adopted by the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, and the Declaration adopted at the World Ministerial Summit to Reduce the Demand for Drugs and to Combat the Cocaine Threat, held in London from 9 to 11 April 1990, 5/

1. Reaffirms its commitment expressed in the Global Programme of Action and the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control;

2. Calls upon States to take all possible steps to promote and implement individually and in cooperation with other States the mandates and recommendations contained in the Global Programme of Action, with a view to translating the Programme into practical action to the widest possible extent at the national, regional and international levels;

3. Requests the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and in particular the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to promote and continuously monitor the implementation of the Global Programme of Action;

4. Calls upon the United Nations and its relevant bodies, the specialized agencies, other relevant intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to extend their cooperation and assistance to States in the promotion and implementation of the Global Programme of Action;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report annually to the General Assembly on activities taken by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and Governments relating to the implementation of the Global Programme of Action.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking

Deeply concerned that the illicit demand for, production of and traffic in narcotic and psychotropic substances continue to pose a serious threat to mankind, to have a negative impact on the socio-economic and political systems and to threaten the stability, national security and sovereignty of an increasing number of States,

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3/ See Report of the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, Vienna, 17-27 June 1989 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.87.I.18), chap. I, sect. B.

4/ Ibid., sect. A.

5/ A/45/262, annex.

Reaffirming the principle of shared responsibility of the international community in combating drug abuse and illicit trafficking,

Reaffirming also that the Declaration 3/ and the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control, 4/ as adopted by the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, the Political Declaration and the Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session, 2/ and the Declaration adopted by the World Ministerial Summit to Reduce the Demand for Drugs and to Combat the Cocaine Threat, held in London from 9 to 11 April 1990, 5/ which, together with the international drug control treaties, provide a comprehensive framework for international cooperation in drug control,

Recognizing the efforts taken to date by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to implement the mandates and courses of action contained in the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control and the Global Programme of Action,

Emphasizing the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as the principal United Nations policy-making body for drug control issues within the United Nations system,

Considering that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, in its resolution 2 (XXXIV), 6/ selected seven priority themes around which the United Nations International Drug Control Programme is requested, in consultation with Governments, to develop proposals for a five-year plan to implement the Global Programme of Action, in the context of the United Nations Decade against Drug Abuse,

Noting with satisfaction that the regional meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies and the Subcommission on Illicit Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs are sources of very useful recommendations for law enforcement action at the regional level oriented towards solving specific problems of the various regions,

Reiterating that the transit routes used by drug traffickers change constantly and that an ever-growing number of countries in all regions of the world, and even entire regions, are particularly vulnerable to illicit transit traffic on account, inter alia, of their geographical location,

Alarmed by the growing connection between drug trafficking and terrorism,

Recognizing the efforts of countries that produce narcotic drugs for scientific, medicinal and therapeutic uses to prevent the channelling of such

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6/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1991, Supplement No. 4 (E/1991/24), chap. XIV, sect. A.

substances to illicit markets and to maintain production at a level consistent with licit demand,

Reiterating its condemnation of criminal activities that involve children in the use, production and illicit distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, and appealing to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and other competent international agencies to give high priority to measures designed to address these problems,

Noting the increasing number of States acceding to or ratifying the international drug control treaties, including those that have become States parties to the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988, 7/

Recalling United Nations Development Programme decision 1991/13 8/ concerning the allocation of resources for drug abuse control and crop substitution,

Reaffirming that all efforts to combat problems related to the consumption, production, manufacture and traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and the flow of money related to these activities should be accompanied by effective measures to promote the economic and social development of affected States,

Recalling its resolution 44/142 of 15 December 1989, in which it requested the Secretary-General to undertake a study on the economic and social consequences of illicit traffic of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, and section II of its resolution 45/149 of 18 December 1990, in which it invited the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to study the recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Intergovernmental Expert Group to Study the Economic and Social Consequences of Illicit Traffic in Drugs, 9/

Regretting that, owing to its heavy workload, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its thirty-fourth session could not undertake a thorough and extensive examination of the recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Intergovernmental Expert Group,

Bearing in mind that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs has decided to consider the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Expert Group, together with the comments of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and to report on its consideration to the

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7/ E/CONF.82/15 and Corr.2.

8/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1991, Supplement No. 13 (E/1991/34), annex I.

9/ A/C.3/45/8, annex.

forty-seventh session of the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council,

Noting with interest the reports of the Secretary-General, 10/

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International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking

1. Takes note of the reports of the Secretary-General; 10/

2. Strongly condemns the crime of drug trafficking in all its forms and urges continued commitment and effective international action to combat it, in keeping with the principle of shared responsibility and with full respect for national sovereignty and the cultural identity of States;

3. Urges Governments and organizations to adhere to the principles set forth in the declarations adopted by the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking and the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session, and to implement the recommendations contained in the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control and in the Global Programme of Action;

4. Requests the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to implement the mandates and recommendations established in the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control and the Global Programme of Action, particularly those pertaining to demand reduction, treatment and social reintegration of drug addicts, reduction in supply eradication and substitution of illicit crops, integrated rural development, educational programmes, expanded opportunities for trade and investment, including international cooperation to facilitate the marketing of substitute crops, elimination of illicit trafficking, interdiction, supervision and control of precursors and essential chemicals, money-laundering and problems of licit producers;

5. Welcomes the initiatives of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme aimed at promoting and supporting subregional programmes, as envisaged in the Global Programme of Action, and urges concerned Governments to cooperate with the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and each other in implementing subregional strategies;

6. Welcomes also the new arrangements for inter-agency cooperation, including the designation of focal points throughout the United Nations

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10/ A/46/338, A/46/480 and A/46/511.

system, which should enhance the implementation of the United Nations System-Wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control; 11/

7. Notes with appreciation that the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme has already allocated some resources under Special Programme Resources for the promotion of drug abuse control during the fifth programming cycle;

8. Supports the master-plan approach to drug control programmes at the national and regional levels that is being promoted by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;

9. Notes with satisfaction increased international action for demand reduction, including the development by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme of the International Drug Abuse Assessment System, and requests that appropriate attention be given to treatment and rehabilitation in all these activities;

10. Endorses the proposal of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs that the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme develop proposals for a five-year plan to implement the Global Programme of Action, in the context of the Decade against Drug Abuse, giving priority to the themes selected by the Commission at its thirty-fourth session;

11. Welcomes the appointment of a Coordinator for the United Nations Decade against Drug Abuse, 1991-2000, invites the Coordinator to promote and monitor international efforts for the Decade, and requests the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, through the Economic and Social Council, to keep the General Assembly informed of developments in this area;

12. Expresses its satisfaction with initiatives to improve the functioning and impact of the network of regional meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, which, together with the Subcommission on Illicit Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East, constitute effective mechanisms against the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

13. Considers that analyses should be made of the methods and routes used for transit traffic of illicit narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, with a view to establishing a system that would enhance the interdiction capability of States along such routes;

14. Emphasizes the connection between the illicit production and supply of, demand for, sale of and traffic and transit in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and the economic, social and cultural conditions of the countries affected and that solutions to these problems must take into account the differences and diversity of the problem in each country;

11/ See E/1990/39 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1.

15. Calls upon the international community to provide increased international economic and technical cooperation to Governments, at their request, in support of programmes for the substitution of illicit crops by means of integrated rural development and alternative development programmes that respect fully the jurisdiction and sovereignty of countries and the cultural traditions of peoples;

16. Encourages all countries to take action to prevent the illicit arms trade by which weapons are provided to drug traffickers;

17. Welcomes the trend towards ratification and implementation of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, 12/ that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol, 13/ the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 14/ and the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988;

18. Requests the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in its activities to promote the implementation of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, and in its work generally, to deal specifically with and recommend measures that would facilitate regional and international cooperation in all aspects of money-laundering;

19. Stresses the need for effective action to prevent the diversion for illicit purposes of precursors and other chemicals, materials and equipment frequently used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

20. Commends the International Narcotics Control Board for its valuable work in monitoring production and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances so as to limit their use to medical and scientific purposes, and for implementing its additional responsibilities under the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances;

21. Urges Member States to increase substantially their voluntary contributions to the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to enable it to expand further its programmes;

22. Requests that adequate financial and human resources be allocated to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to enable it to discharge its mandate;

12/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 520, No. 7515.

13/ Ibid., vol. 976, No. 14152.

14/ Ibid., vol. 1019, No. 14956.

23. Requests the Secretary-General to report on the implementation topics raised in part I of the present resolution at its forty-seventh session under the item entitled "Narcotic drugs".

II

Economic and social consequences of illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on action taken to date to implement section II of General Assembly resolution 45/149; 15/

2. Reiterates its invitation to and takes note of the decision of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to consider, at its thirty-fifth session in 1992, the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Expert Group to Study the Economic and Social Consequences of Illicit Traffic in Drugs, together with the comments of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme with a view to recommending appropriate follow-up activity;

3. Requests the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to report on this issue through the Economic and Social Council to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session under the item entitled "Narcotic drugs".

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV

United Nations International Drug Control Programme

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 45/179 of 21 December 1990, by which it requested the Secretary-General to create a single drug control programme to be called the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, based at Vienna, and to integrate fully therein the structures and the functions of the Division of Narcotic Drugs of the Secretariat, the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board and the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control with the objective of enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of the United Nations structure for drug control in keeping with the functions and mandates of the United Nations in this field,

Recalling also the Political Declaration and the Global Programme of Action adopted on 23 February 1990 at its seventeenth special session, 2/

Emphasizing that the problem of drug abuse and illicit trafficking has to be considered within the broader economic and social context,

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15/ A/46/338.

Reaffirming the importance of the role of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme as the main focus for concerted international action for drug abuse control,

Underlining the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as the principal United Nations policy-making body on drug control issues, and endorsing paragraph 1 (c) of Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/38 of 21 June 1991,

Reaffirming the importance of the full technical independence of the International Narcotics Control Board in accordance with article 9, paragraph 2, of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, 16/ and endorsing Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/48 of 21 June 1991 approving administrative arrangements between the Board and the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to ensure this independence,

Recognizing that international cooperation against illicit trafficking should be pursued in full conformity with the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and the principles of international law,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the measures taken to implement resolution 45/179 on the enhancement of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control, 17/

Noting that the Secretary-General's programme budget proposals for 1992-1993 18/ should be considered taking fully into account the measures proposed pursuant to resolution 45/179,

Commending the United Nations International Drug Control Programme for the activities undertaken so far in the performance of the functions entrusted to it,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on the measures taken to implement resolution 45/179 on the enhancement of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control; 17/

2. Welcomes the integration of the structures and functions of the Division of Narcotic Drugs, the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board and the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control into a single International Drug Control Programme based at Vienna;

16/ United Nations Treaty Series, vol. 520, No. 7515.

17/ A/46/480.

18/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/46/6/Rev.1).

3. Emphasizes the need for the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to have the necessary degree of managerial flexibility to discharge effectively and expeditiously the functions of the Programme under the terms of United Nations treaties and resolutions relating to international drug control, while recognizing that the Programme is now a part of the United Nations Secretariat;

4. Requests that the restructuring process envisaged in resolution 45/179 and in the present resolution be completed as soon as possible so that the United Nations International Drug Control Programme can fulfil its mandates with enhanced effectiveness and efficiency;

5. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/38, which calls on the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to give policy guidance to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and to monitor its activities;

6. Urges the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to give special emphasis to the implementation of those issues from the Global Programme of Action identified as priorities by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in its resolution 2 adopted at its thirty-fourth session; 19/

7. Requests the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in accordance with the authority delegated to him by the Secretary-General, to coordinate and provide effective leadership for all United Nations drug control activities, in order to ensure coherence of actions within the Programme as well as coordination, complementarity and non-duplication of such activities across the United Nations system, and in this context actively to seek cooperation and support for a global approach from other international organizations, non-governmental organizations, bilateral programmes and national institutions;

8. Strongly urges all Governments to provide the fullest possible financial and political support to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in particular by increasing the extrabudgetary contributions to the Programme, with a view to expanding and strengthening its operational activities and technical cooperation, in particular with developing countries;

9. Endorses the proposal of the Secretary-General to place the financial resources of the existing United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control under the direct responsibility of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme as a fund for financing operational activities, mainly in developing countries;

19/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1991, Supplement No. 4 (E/1991/24).

10. Emphasizes that, in accordance with established United Nations priorities as contained in the medium-term plan, adequate resources be allocated so as to enable the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to fulfil its activities and carry out the functions assigned to it by resolution 45/179 and by other relevant General Assembly and Economic and Social Council resolutions;

11. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on measures taken to implement the present resolution.

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Corrigendum

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(a) After subparagraph (f), insert the following

"(g) Letter dated 26 June 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/46/277);"

(b) Reletter the present subparagraph (g) as (h).

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